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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL/DEPARTMENT INTERVIEWING TEAM

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THIS UPDATES REFTTEL.

1. TWO TEAMS EACH COMPOSED OF AN EMBASSY CONOFF AND DEPARTMENT CONOFF VISITED LECUMBERRI, LOS REYES AND SANTA MARTHA PRISONS MONDAY WITH TAPE RECORDERS TO DETERMINE WILLINGNESS OF PRISONERS TO BE INTERVIEWED, RESPOND TO PREPARED QUESTIONS, AND SIGN SWORN STATEMENTS. ALL PRISONERS INDICATED WILLINGNESS ECT, EAGERNESS TO DO SO. ONLY ONE REQUESTED THAT LAWYER BE PRESENT.

2. BOTH TEAMS TOOK FILES AND TAPE RECORDERS WITH THEM AND MADE NO EFFORT TO CONCEAL SAME. PERMISSION GRANTED TO USE TAPE RECORDERS AT LECUMBERRI AND LOS REYES BUT OFFICIAL AT SANTA MARTHA SAID HE WOULD NEED OFFICIAL REQUEST.

3. TODAY ONE TEAM WENT TO LECUMBERRI AND OTHER TO LOS REYES. INTERVIEWING AT LOS REYES APPARENTLY PROCEEDING WITHOUT DIFFICULTY AND WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED BACK TAPE OF ONE INTERVIEW. HOWEVER, AT LECUMBERRI PRISON HEAD REFUSED PERMIT USE OF TAPE RECORDER DESPITE PROLONGED APPEAL BY CONOFF.

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4. CONGEN HAS APPOINTMENT AT 1900 TO-NIGHT WITH

DIRECTOR OF PRISONS, MALO CAMACHO, IN EFFORT RESOLVE THIS IMPASSE AND OBTAIN PERMISSION USE OF RECORDER. WE ARE ALSO CONSIDERING ALTERNATIVES, SUCH AS USE OF STENOGRAPHER.

5. REPRESENTATIVES OF STARKE'S OFFICE AND FASCELL SUBCOMMITTEE BEING KEPT FULLY AND CURRENTLY INFORMED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS.

6. COMMITTEE AND STARKE REPRESENTATIVES YESTERDAY PROPOSED VISIT TO APPROXIMATELY SIX OTHER PRISONERS IN THESE JAILS TO ASCERTAIN WELFARE, ETC., BUT NOT AS PART OF CONGRESSIONAL/DEPARTMENT INTERVIEWING PROJECT. ONE OF THESE PRISONERS APPEARS ON LIST OF 15. WE BELIEVE ANY SUCH ATTEMPT AT THIS DELICATE STAGE MIGHT JEOPARDIZE PROJECT AND ARE ADVISING THEM TO WAIT UNTIL MATTERS ARE FURTHER UNDER WAY BEFORE SEEKING PERMISSION FOR SUCH INTERVIEWS. JOVA

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